

LEAD

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Grant School District Superintendent Curt Shelley said testing is scheduled in June for all three schools, Seneca, Humbolt Elementary and Grant Union Junior-Senior High.

"Testing facilities are swamped right now, and it may take longer than expected to get results," he said. "With the recent findings in Portland Public Schools and a few others around the state it has been brought to the attention all school districts really need to test for the safety of all. We have not tested for lead in my

tenure as superintendent (one year); however we will plan to test on a regular basis moving forward."

Prairie City School District Superintendent Julie Gurczynski said she authorized the testing of drinking fountains and cooking water earlier this month and expects the testing to be complete within the next month.

Long Creek School District Office Manager Jennifer Garinger said the school will be testing for lead, but she did not know when.

Monument School District has not responded to the Eagle's record request.

The districts will also need to develop a plan to test for

radon by this fall, as the Oregon Board of Education is fast-tracking adoption of a new rule that requires schools to test for both lead and radon and report those results to the public.

The board heard a first reading of the rule Thursday and plans adoption Aug. 17. A public hearing on the proposal is scheduled for Aug. 2.

The requirement will entail additional costs to schools and the Oregon Department of Education. The Legislative Fiscal Office is working on an estimate on what those costs will be. Legislative leadership has asked the Emergency Board to allocate money to pay for it.

Gov. Kate Brown in April

directed the Oregon Department of Education and Oregon Health Authority to review existing requirements for environmental testing and address the problem of lead in drinking water.

During the review, health and education officials learned that neither the education department nor the health authority has the power to require schools test for lead, said Emily Nazarov, operations policy analyst with the education department's government and legal affairs section.

The health authority has authority to require testing of public water systems, but schools are excluded from the agency's jurisdiction.

The proposed rule would require school districts, charter schools and education services districts to conduct lead and radon testing and to submit an environmental monitoring plan to ODE for keeping water, air and physical spaces safe for students and staff.

The health authority already had authority to require schools to test for radon, but the new rule will provide comprehensive guidance to schools on all of the testing required. Schools will be required to report their test results to the education department and to the community annually.

Phil Wright and Paris Achen contributed to this report.

FINICUM

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Both Fisher and Landin say they are unarmed, and they say they intend to remain peaceful. By law, they are not allowed to carry guns because both men are convicted felons.

The Forest Service said the memorial items are prohibited and need to go, but the agency has not specified a timeline for when it could be removed by the agency.

"The Forest Service does not want to have any conflict or confrontations," said Stearly. "Law enforcement is in contact with those folks, and communications are in place."

The men said they won't leave until a permanent memorial is in place at the site. They said others will take their place when their stay limits are up.

"We are prepared to do this for as long as we need to," said Fisher. "We have wall tents with wood stoves if we need them. We have snow machines. We have whatever it takes."

Fisher and Landin are both currently unemployed. Before he began camping with Fisher, Landin worked as a gas attendant in Burns. They are now supported by food and monetary donations from Finicum supporters and friends.

In late May, four men were cited for allegedly attempting to install a permanent cross in concrete at the site. The Harney County Sheriff's Office charged the men with third degree criminal mischief, a violation that could carry a \$5,000 fine.

FOURTH

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Dayville, Saturday, July 1-3

July 1
5 p.m.: Youth Arts Program art, music and drama presentations at Dayville School gym

July 2
10 a.m.: 3-on-3 basketball at Dayville School with sign-ups from 9-9:30 a.m., \$15 per team

2-4 p.m.: Beer and wine tasting at Dayville Merc

2:30 p.m.: Tribute to Jake Streeter, city park

3 p.m.: Horseshoe tournament

4 p.m.: Scavenger hunt with digital camera or cellphone, teams of two

4:30 p.m.: Pie contests

5 p.m.: Jake Burger stand

6 p.m.: Parade with Grand Marshals Skip and Cindy Inscore (line up east end of Dayville)

7 p.m.: Baked goods auction

7:30 p.m.: Duck race, \$5 each (\$200



Eagle file photo

The late Jake Streeter, and Brandon Thompson, flip Jake Burgers together at last year's Fourth of July celebration in Dayville, near the park.

prize for first, \$100 for second and more prizes)

8 p.m.: Music in the park

Sunday, July 3

7:30-9 a.m.: Community Breakfast at the Community Church, by donation.

For more information, call city hall, 541-987-2188.

Long Creek, Monday, July 4
12 p.m.: Founders Day celebration at Long Creek City Park
For more information, call city hall at 541-421-3601.

For more information, call Lonnie, 541-934-2696; Lorna, 541-934-9871; Jamie, 541-934-2876; or Heather, 541-934-2690.

Monument, Monday, July 4

Monument's Fourth of July Jubilee has fun for everyone scheduled for Independence Day.

7-9 a.m.: Pancake breakfast at the senior center

7:30 a.m.: Top Road Challenge 5K Run

9 a.m.: Horseshoes

9:30 a.m.: Booths open

10 a.m.: Parade

10:30 a.m.: Baking contest

11 a.m.: Family games, Frisbee golf

1 p.m.: Carnival

2 p.m.: Watermelon-eating contest

3 p.m.: Auction

4 p.m.: Lip sync

5 p.m.: Corn Hole

6 p.m.: Chili cook off

7 p.m.: Bingo at senior center

10 p.m.: Fireworks over the river

Prairie City, Monday, July 4

Prairie City has some new events scheduled for their celebration, with the theme "Remember Why it's the 4th of July."

7-10 a.m.: Fabulous Flapjacks at the Teen Center

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Strawberry shortcake

11 a.m.: American Legion hamburgers at VFW Hall

12 p.m.: Parade with Grand Marshals Del and Mary Raymond (line up on North Johnson, judging at 11:15 a.m.)

1 p.m.: Fay Burril Memorial Jackpot Horseshoe Tournament and barbecue next to city hall

12-3 p.m.: Family fun at the park, water slides and a rock climbing wall

Dusk: Fireworks on the Oxbow Ranch property on Strawberry Road

Grant County Little League
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Coaches Zach Williams, Tammy Clark & Mike Strong (not pictured)

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